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Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/742,423, filed December 22, 2000, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.

Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e): Application No. Date Filed

Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	11-367923	December 24, 1999
Japan	2000-307029	October 6, 2000

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

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were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/742,423 filed December 22, 2000

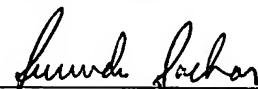
were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number
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(A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and

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